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AMMAN FOR ATHERTON

E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, IS, US, XF
SUBJ: ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS

REF: STATE 54253

1. I ANTICIPATE SEEING BEGIN ON MONDAY, MARCH 6, SINCE HE SAID HE WOULD PASS TO ME HIS REPLY TO PRESIDENT SADAT FOR ME TO FORWARD TO ATHERTON FOR TRANSMISSION. WILL USE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO CARRY OUT INSTRUCTION IN REFTEL.

2. IT IS IN MY OPINION A GOOD IDEA TO MAKE THE POINTS IN PARA TWO OF REFTEL PRIOR TO BEGIN'S DEPARTURE. I DO NOT BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT BEGIN IS THINKING ABOUT A BARGAIN WITH US AS DESCRIBED IN PARA ONE OF REFTEL. WE HAVE SEEN OR HEARD NO HINT THAT THIS IS WHAT IS IN HIS MIND. RATHER, HE IS CERTAINLY HOPING TO PERSUADE THE PRESIDENT THAT HIS ACTIONS ON SETTLEMENTS ARE THE MOST HE CAN DO IN TERMS OF HIS CURRENT POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES WITHIN HIS OWN PARTY. AND HE SEEMS DETERMINED TO ASSERT HIS INTERPRETATION OF RESOLUTION 242 WITH TENACITY. HE

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MAY BE HINTING AT A TRADE-OFF BETWEEN THE TWO, BUT I CERTAINLY HAVE NOT SENSED IT.

3. I WILL USE THE TALKING POINTS WITH HIM IN SUCH A WAY AS TO TRY TO FORECLOSE ANY IDEA OF A BARGAIN, SHOULD HE HAVE ONE IN MIND. EVEN MORE IMPORTANT HOWEVER WILL BE TO FURTHER SENSITIZE HIM TO THE FACT THAT HIS PROTESTATIONS

ABOUT DOMESTIC POLITICAL PROBLEMS WITH REGARD TO SETTLE-
MENTS HAVE NOT BEEN PERSUASIVE.
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